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David Penney  
Penney's Gemstones LLC  
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Subject: Review of Full Bond Release Request, Penney's Gemstones LLC, Little Spot Mine, S/027/0024, Millard County, Utah

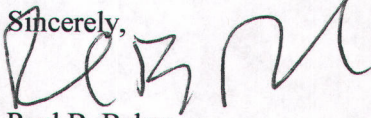
Dear Mr. Penney:

On September 29, 2015, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining received a request to release the full reclamation surety and to close the file for the Little Spot mine. During a Division inspection on October 20, 2015, it was determined that, while some significant regrading work has been done, reclamation earthwork was incomplete. To meet the Division's reclamation requirements and before the Division can approve a partial release of surety, you will need to:

- 1) Finish regrading unconsolidated pit slopes by pushing them into the pit and up against the opposite pit wall.
- 2) Regrade the remaining stockpiles, waste piles, and any other unconsolidated slopes.
- 3) Perform any additional reclamation requirements of the Bureau of Land Management. The Division must request and receive BLM concurrence prior to releasing reclamation surety.
- 4) Seed the freshly-roughened, loose surface of the regraded site using a seed mix approved by the BLM. Send a copy of seed tags and seeding details (seed rate per acre, surface conditions, date of seeding work, etc.) to the Division.
- 5) Re-submit the Application for Site and/or Bond Release found on the Division's Web site at [www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals](http://www.ogm.utah.gov/minerals).

The Division will re-inspect the site and after receiving the re-submitted Application for Site and/or Bond Release. Please contact Peter Brinton at 801-538-5258 or me at 801-538-5261 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

  
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Minerals Program Manager

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